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Toshiki KINDO, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE RETRIEVAL

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	No additional fee is required. Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 3rd, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 3rd, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.